MR. K. T. THOMAS: May I know weether there are any particular reasons for not holding an interview in the case of this candidate?

DR. G. D. NOKES: The Service Commissioner was of opinion that interview was not necessary.

Muslim Primary Schools.

293 *MR. M. K. MACKAR PILLAI (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of recognised Muslim Primary Schools in the State, to which grant-in-aid has not been sanctioned; and

(*b*) the names of those schools?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: (*a*) & (*b*). One. The Imdadia Primary School, Veliathunad, in Parur taluk.

List of the eligibles for appointment in the Police and Excise Departments.

294 *MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the list of eligible persons sent by the Public Service Commissioner to the Heads of the Police and Excise Departments, for recruitment to the Lower Division, is prepared according to caste or serial number?

DR. G. D. NOKES: The Member is referred to the answer to interpellation No. 283 on page 757 of the Assembly Proceedings dated 2-2-1938.

Appointments in the Public Service from the Varnavar Community.

295 *MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of men and women appointed in the Public Service, from the Varnavar Community (Pathiyan, Mannan, or Vannen, Ettali, Purathon, Chayakkaran or Pandymannan, Velan, Nerian and Paravan) since the Public Service Commissioner was invested with the powers of recruitment as also the posts to which they have been appointed?

DR. G. D. NOKES: No separate statistics are maintained for these sub-communities.

MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU: പബ്ലിക്കുസർവ്വീസിൽ വർണ്ണവസമുദായക്കാരെ പ്രത്യേകം തിരിച്ചിട്ടില്ലാ എന്നു പറയുന്നു. അതിന പ്രത്യേകം കാരണം വല്ലതുമുണ്ടോ?

DR. G. D. NOKES: The Varnavar community according to the Census Report for 1930 consist of 166 persons. So their claims have to be considered along with other candidates. The number of persons in the community is less than a lakh which is the minimum for independent recognition in the Public Service.

The Neendakara Bridge.

296 *MR. M. L. JANARDANA PILLAI (*Nominated*); Will the Government be pleased to state:

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(*a*) the year in which the Neendakara Bridge was constructed;

(*b*) the cost incurred for the same;

(*c*) the amount of toll fees collected from the year of the construction of the above bridge till the end of 1113 M. E. in the Quilon-Alleppey road;

(*d*) the length of the Alleppey-Quilon road;

(*e*) the number of tolls in the above road; and

(*f*) whether there are two tolls in any other road in Travancore between these lengths?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT: (*a*) 1105 M. E.

(*b*) Rs. 5,36,119-7-4.

(*c*) Rs. 3,60,000 approximately.

(*d*) 53¼ miles.

(*e*) 2, one at Neendakara 6th mile and the other at Nangiyarkulangara 32nd mile.

(*f*) Yes.

Confirmation of acting teachers.

297 ❋**MR. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKER:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether a Notification dated 10th May 1929 No. 61571/A. regarding confirmation of acting teachers in the Departmental Vernacular Schools has been published?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: Yes.

Appointment of untrained teachers in the Education Department.

298 ❋ **MR. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKER:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have issued an order No. 2822 dated 17-2-1937, to the effect that no untrained acting hand should be appointed in the Department?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: No.

Appointment of Amins in the Quilon District Court.

299 ❋ **MR. P. NANOO** (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) whether two permanent Amin vacancies in the District Court of Quilon were filled up in Mithunam 1112 by promotion of two Amins from the Lower Division in the public service;

(*b*) if so, whether the promotion of the Amins from the Lower Division was in conformity with the Government circular R. O. C. No. 1545/37; and

(*c*) whether the appointment of two Amins by the District Court of Quilon in Mithunam 1112 has affected the claims of a Jacobite Christian and an Ezhava who were selected by the Public Service Commissioner for Amin's place in the Intermediate grade?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Since no requisition seems to have been made to the Public Service Commissioner to recruit two Amins in the Intermediate Grade, it is not possible to say whose claims are affected.

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